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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, enclosed are references relating to the above-identified application. Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. For the convenience of the Examiner, these references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and copies are enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application and their consideration be made of written record in the application file.

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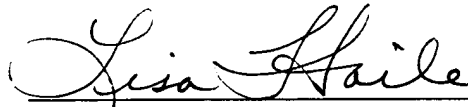
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Respectfully submitted,

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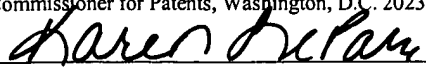
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Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application, please find:

- (1) An Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
- (2) A Form PTO-1449 (2 pages);
- (3) Thirteen (13) References;
- (4) International Search report (7 pages); and
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